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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL UNIONIST DELEGATION FIRST IN NEW ROUND
OF POLITICAL TALKS WITH MASON

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1. OFFICIAL UNIONIST DELEGATION HEADED BY HARRY WEST MET
YESTERDAY WITH SECRETARY OF STATE ROY MASON IN NEW
ROUND OF TALKS AT MASON INVITATION. TALKS ARE
EXPLORATORY IN NATURE DESIGNED TO REVEAL WHETHER AND WHAT
MOVES CAN BE MADE TO MOVE TOWARD RESTORED DEVOLVED
GOVERNMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

2. NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE HAS ISSUED NO RPT NO STATEMENT
FOLLOWING TALK AND OFFICIAL UNIONISTS UNUSUALLY RETICENT.
BOTH WEST AND CAPTAIN AUSTIN ARDILL HAVE SAID HOWEVER THEY
TOOK SOME SATISFACTION IN DISCUSSION SECURITY MEASURES AND
THEY HAD "HOPES" ABOUT DEVOLVED GOVERNMENT. ALTHOUGH
MR. MASON REALIZES THEY WILL NOT RPT NOT AGREE TO SHARE
CABINET POSITION WITH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC AND LABOUR PARTY
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(SDLP) ("REPUBLICANS") AS A "MATTER OF RIGHT", THEY
SAID, THEY WERE HOPEFUL OF PROGRESS TOWARD DEVOLVED
GOVERNMENT. IN VIEW LACK OF EXPRESSIONS OF ALARM FROM
MP GERRY FITT, LEADER OF SDLP, HE WAS PROBABLY REASSURED
ABOUT MASON POSITION IN ADVANCE.

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